

POLREP #1VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

GULPH ROAD, VALLEY FORGE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY,  
PENNSYLVANIA, 19481

ATTN: RRC

EVENT: REMOVAL ASSESSMENT

- I. SITUATION: (1400 HOURS, FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 1997)
- A. US EPA REGION III WAS ALERTED TO THE EXISTANCE OF ASBESTOS CONTAMINATION BY AN ANONYMOUS SOURCE DISCOVERED DURING A WALK THROUGH OF THE PARK. EXPOSED AREAS DEVOID OF VEGETATION WERE IDENTIFIED. THE EXPOSED AREAS CONTAINED PILES OF AN UNKNOWN MATERIAL. APPROXIMATELY FIFTY UNKNOWN PILES WERE DISCOVERED.
  - B. SAMPLES WERE TAKEN BY PARK OFFICIALS TO IDENTIFY THE UNKNOWN MATERIALS. THE RESULTS OF THE SAMPLING SHOWED THAT THE UNKNOWN PILES WERE ASBESTOS.

PERSONNEL: EPA-1, VALLEY FORGE PARK RANGER-1,  
SATA-1.

WEATHER: WINDY 15-20kts, PARTLY CLOUDY,  
TEMPERATURE IN THE LOW 50'S.

II. ACTIONS TAKEN:

- A. OSC, VALLEY FORGE PARK RANGER AND SATA MET AT VALLEY FORGE HISTORICAL NATIONAL PARK AT 1400 HOURS TO DISCUSS THE STATUS OF THE SITE.
- B. PARK RANGER PROVIDED AERIAL AND HOT SPOT LOCATION MAPS TO EPA AND SATA.
- C. OSC, PARK RANGER AND SATA DROVE AROUND THE SITE TO VIEW THE SUSPECTED CONTAMINATED AREAS FROM DIFFERENT ANGLES.

III. FUTURE ACTIONS:

- A. SATA TO SAMPLE TWO AREAS OF SUSPECTED CONTAMINATION. THE SAMPLING IS TO TAKE PLACE ON A DAY IN WHICH NO RAIN HAS FALLEN DURING THE PREVIOUS TWO DAYS. ONE SAMPLE SHOULD BE TAKEN ON THE UPWIND SIDE OF THE SUSPECTED CONTAMINATED AREA.

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